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FM AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CANBERRA 6914

SUBJ: OPEC PRICE INCREASE

REF: (A) CANBERRA 6913 (B) TEHRAN 9032

1. PER PARA 2 REF (A)

EMBASSY CONSULTED FLOOD, ASST. SECY, DFA MONDAY AN TO ASCERTAIN
GOA REACTION OPEC DEVELOPMENTS.

2. FLOOD INDICATED NO ACTION HAD BEEN POSSIBLE SINCE REF A,
BUT HOPED OBTAIN VIEW FROM DEPT MIN. & ENERGY AFTER HOLIDAY
PERIOD.

3. EMB EMPHASIZED THAT NEW OPEC MEETING SCHEDULED JANUARY 7 TO
DISCUSS PRICING FURTHER, AND SUGGESTED GOA EXPRESSIONS OF
CONCERN OVER PRICE INCREASES WOULD STILL BE TIMELY.
IN ANTICIPATION JANUARY 7 MEETING.

4. FLOOD APPRETIATIVE BUT NON-COMMITTAL, OBSERVING THAT MIN
MINERALS AND ENERGY CONNOR WAS NORMALLY DISPOSED TO PROCEED
CAUTIOUSLY, ESPECIALLY IN VIEW OF AUSTRALIA'S FORTUNATE
POSITION IN CURRENT OIL CRISIS.
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